

WEST VIRGINIA -ELECTION CONNECTION-

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19 Weeks Until Election Day!

On Tuesday, June 26, there will be exactly 19 weeks until the November 6 General Election!

Poll Worker Training Video Scripts

Attached to this email are the four scripts to the poll worker training videos. These scripts have already undergone revision from this office, and now we would like you to review them and suggest changes. If you think something has been left out, make a note of it. If you think a section of the video would work better somewhere else, write that down. If you see grammatical errors, let us know.

This is a chance to produce a high quality training tool to use for years to come. These videos will be used in all 55 counties, so it is only fair to give election officials from across the state an opportunity to have a hand in their creation.

If you have suggestions, please email Jake Glance at jglance@wvsos.com as soon as possible. Please be as specific about your suggested revision as possible.

Production of the videos will start in late July.

Final 2012 Primary Election Turnout

According to SVRS, there were 336,533 votes cast in the 2012 Primary Election – making the official turnout 27.44 percent.

Doddridge, Gilmer, Hardy, Lewis, Pocahontas, Tucker, and Webster counties all had voter turnout over 40 percent. Pocahontas County's turnout was the highest in the state, at 54.86 percent. Berkeley County had the lowest turnout, at 16.8 percent.

In the Democrat Party Primary, there were 217,152 ballots cast. This number includes the number of people who were registered with no party affiliation who chose to vote in the Democrat Party Primary.

In the Republican Party Primary, there were 116,482 ballots cast. This number includes the number of people who were registered with no party affiliation who chose to vote in the Republican Party Primary.

There were 48 ballots cast by members of the Mountain Party. This number reflects the number of Mountain Party ballots that were cast. However, in counties where there were no candidates running on the Mountain Party ticket, Mountain Party voters could have voted a non-partisan ballot.

There were 2,851 non-partisan ballots cast in the May primary. These ballots were only for races such as Board of Education or any county levies.

County	DEM	REP	MTN	Non-Part	Total	Voters	Turnout %
Barbour	1927	1550	0	38	3515	9432	37.27%
Berkeley	4419	6478	0	71	10968	65367	16.78%
Boone	5553	669	0	25	6247	19079	32.74%
Braxton	2388	512	0	25	2925	8666	33.75%
Brooke	4606	1171	0	26	5803	17604	32.96%
Cabell	8573	5057	0	222	13852	59888	23.13%
Calhoun	1218	300	0	21	1539	5617	27.40%
Clay	1819	417	1	26	2263	6503	34.80%
Doddridge	356	1620	0	19	1995	4767	41.85%
Fayette	6179	1377	2	45	7603	26854	28.31%
Gilmer	1679	374	0	18	2071	4767	43.44%
Grant	297	1968	0	9	2274	8092	28.10%
Greenbrier	5096	2090	0	28	7214	25110	28.73%
Hampshire	2168	1830	0	52	4050	14140	28.64%
Hancock	4861	1936	0	46	6843	23416	29.22%
Hardy	2819	932	0	41	3792	8692	43.63%
Harrison	8955	4156	0	88	13199	43506	30.34%
Jackson	3217	3268	11	126	6622	21412	30.93%
Jefferson	3679	2698	0	180	6557	34795	18.84%
Kanawha	19794	10655	0	327	30776	131964	23.32%
Lewis	2344	1858	0	15	4217	8853	47.63%
Lincoln	3653	739	0	21	4413	19183	23.00%
Logan	7592	614	0	35	8241	25153	32.76%
Marion	9696	2871	0	79	12646	41877	30.20%
Marshall	4783	2456	0	85	7324	21824	33.56%
Mason	3057	2655	0	28	5740	18802	30.53%
McDowell	3854	258	0	32	4144	15790	26.24%
Mercer	6069	2671	0	24	8764	38646	22.68%
Mineral	1932	2582	0	78	4592	17029	26.97%

Mingo	7142	418	0	38	7598	21484	35.37%
Monongalia	7819	4383	3	99	12304	54986	22.38%
Monroe	1431	1077	0	55	2563	9833	26.07%
Morgan	988	1930	0	14	2932	11499	25.50%
Nicholas	4150	1298	0	34	5482	16245	33.75%
Ohio	4955	3759	0	88	8802	32762	26.87%
Pendleton	1670	492	0	10	2172	5502	39.48%
Pleasants	1035	599	0	13	1647	5133	32.09%
Pocahontas	1776	964	0	10	2750	5013	54.86%
Preston	2268	3196	0	47	5511	19906	27.69%
Putnam	4611	5803	0	41	10455	37474	27.90%
Raleigh	8023	4228	19	132	12402	54583	22.72%
Randolph	4961	1459	0	46	6466	18115	35.69%
Ritchie	566	1649	0	39	2254	7061	31.92%
Roane	1417	1334	7	25	2783	9919	28.06%
Summers	2279	604	0	2	2885	9089	31.74%
Taylor	2384	1211	0	5	3600	10235	35.17%
Tucker	1516	648	0	4	2168	5214	41.58%
Tyler	536	1038	0	19	1593	6092	26.15%
Upshur	1719	3629	0	23	5371	13908	38.62%
Wayne	5607	1697	0	65	7369	30061	24.51%
Webster	2397	222	0	6	2625	6203	42.32%
Wetzel	3328	850	5	22	4205	12618	33.33%
Wirt	898	559	0	26	1483	4290	34.57%
Wood	8038	6974	0	138	15150	54157	27.97%
Wyoming	3055	699	0	20	3774	18335	20.58%
Totals	217152	116482	48	2851	336533	1226545	27.44%

Regional Election Meeting Agenda

At the Auditor's Conference, you received lists of dates/locations and potential topics for the 2012 Regional Election Conferences in July.

If you haven't already returned those, please complete them and send them do dnichols@wvsos.com or (304)558-8386 as soon as possible.

SVRS Class Scheduled for August

The Secretary of State's Office is providing comprehensive instruction on the use, functions and best practices relating to the SVRS and how to execute them properly. The class will be six hours of instruction Monday – Wednesday, 9:00am – 4:00pm. Thursday will be ½ day which will be used to provide an overview of what you

have learned and a feedback forum before you leave. To get the most out of this class you should plan to attend all 3 full days of class.

This will be quality instruction by Dave Tackett but in a “no frills” atmosphere. You will need to supply your own notepads, paper, pencils, etc. If you are able, please bring a laptop computer to class with you. Hands on exercises will be a part of the class. If you do not have a laptop please let us know. This class is for those who use the SVRS as part of their daily job function. We ask that each county send no more than 2 individuals due to space limitations.

This is a serious, academically oriented Instructional Program. As such, you are expected to be prepared as you would be in any other academic situation.

*If you must handle on-going office business while at the session, you need to schedule that before class, during the lunch time or after class. **We ask that cell phones, pagers, etc. not be active during class.***

LODGING and MEALS: Lunch will be provided Monday - Wednesday by this office. Attendees are responsible for their own lodging and other meals. Please mention “SVRS class” to reserve a room at the Flatwoods Days Hotel and Conference Center. Our rate is \$80.10 for single or \$89.10 for double per night, plus taxes and/or other charges. Call 866-700-7284 to make reservations. You must make your own hotel reservations no later than 5PM August 10, 2012. After this date, they do not have to hold rooms for us nor do they have to honor the rate. **DO NOT DELAY.**

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Monday, July 30, 2012

You will receive an email confirmation once your registration is received and processed by this office. **There is no registration fee to attend this class.**

You should have received an email from Layna Brown that included the registration form. If you did not, please contact her at lbrown@wvsos.com.

Have an idea?

Is there something that you want to see addressed in the Election Connection? The goal of this newsletter is to keep everyone up to date about challenges facing election officials in West Virginia and to inform everyone about best practices that are being put into place. If you have an idea for a topic, have a question, or if you think there is a subject that election officials around the state would be interested in, please do not hesitate to contact the Secretary of State’s Office. You can contact the Elections Division by email at elections@wvsos.com or (304) 558-6000 or Jake Glance directly at jglance@wvsos.com. Your input is appreciated.